

Grid Solutions and Strategies

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- Grid Computing Facility for farms and storage systems.
- SAMGrid onsite and offsite data and job distribution for all Run Il institutions.
- Grid accessible network and storage systems to provide access to increasing number of petabytes of data.
- FermiGrid campus wide grid to integrate Fermilab farms and storage.
- SciDAC funded PPDG, SRM; NSF iVDGL
- Open Science Grid national grid to interface DOE Lab Facilities, common with US LHC, collaborate with similar communities.
- LCG, EGEE, & TeraGrid inter-operation to enable use of these resources by Fermilab user groups.



Grid Strategies cont.

- Share computing and storage both at Fermilab and offsite.
 - Leverage commonalities, development and operations across Run II and LHC experiments.
 - Enable more efficient use of resources taking advantage of varying loads and needs.
 - Prepare for future transition of users and resources in support of LHC.
- Work towards common interfaces and solutions for more effective administration, support and use.
- Benefit from collaboration with computer science developers and other communities using and developing Grids.



Fermilab Grid efforts in support of Run II

- Evolve SAMGrid to interface to and use (new) common grid services.
- Deploy and support shared central services within FermiGrid.
- Joint projects to develop middleware and services.
- Participate in activities and operation of the OSG.
- Collaborate with LCG and EGEE.
- Outreach to HEP groups using the Grid in South America and Asia.



Effort spread across Divisions program

- Data and Storage Management: 8 FTEs
 - CD: 3 FTEs; SRM+PPDG(external funded): 3 FTE; US CMS: 2FTE. Not including SamGrid deployment and support nor LambdaStation(external funded); Including .5FTE support collaboration with LCG.
- Grid Services and Operations: 10 FTEs
 - CD: 2 FTEs; US CMS: 5.5 FTEs; PPDG+Hepic+iVDGL (external funded): 2.5FTE; Including .5 FTE support for collaboration with LCG.
- FermiGrid central Grid services and testbed: 3 FTEs.



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We need to organize the work and priorities.

Locally

- Department Head meetings and regular 1-2 person meetings with the Division Head.
- Grid and Data Management Coordination meetings ~monthly to review experiment needs and project deliverables and issues.
- FermiGrid Stakeholder meetings bi-weekly to review progress and planning.
- Project status reports either written or presented 2-3 times a a year.
- Individual project meetings with agendas and minutes ~weekly.

Broadly

- Part of OSG Interim Executive board and council; active in all planning and scheduling the activities.
- Representation on LCG Grid Deployment Board, Network, Storage and Baselines Services working groups
- Participation in US LHC and US-LCG coordination meetings.



Middleware and Services

- Storage and Data movement and management:
 - SRM standard interface for >5 implementations
 - SRM/dCache used by Run II, US ATLAS Tier-1, US CMS Tier-1 and Tier-2s, many Tier-1s in LCG.
 - SAMGrid event based meta-data, data, and job management.
 - LambdaStation developments to integrate management of networks and data movement.
- Administration, Security and Support:
 - X509 certificate based user account and experiment administration and authorization.
 - Accounting of resources accessed through Grid interfaces.
- Testing and Validation
 - Test Virtual Data Toolkit (VDT)



FermiGrid Central Services

- Maintain User identification and authorization infrastructures (VOMS, GUMS, SAZ, myproxy) servers for all Fermilab experiments.
- Support central monitoring and information publishing.
- Control non-Fermilab users access to shared resources through single point of entry from OSG.
- Participate in OSG Integration Testbed.
- Provide Grid Operations and Helpdesk support.
- Write support documentation and user guides.



Successes in Sharing and Interoperation

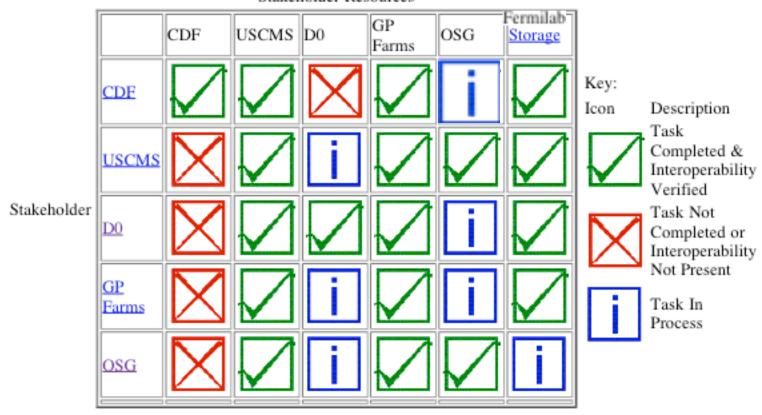
- D0 reprocessing using SAMGrid on
 - LCG,
 - US CMS Tier-1
 - FermiGrid-GPFarm gateway
- CDF monte-carlo using (D)CAF+Condor-glideins on
 - Fermigrid-GPFARM gateway
 - LCG/INFN
 - US CMS Tier-1
- LCG and EGEE:
 - SamGrid-LCG Gateway,
 - VDT/gLITE cooperation
 - OSG-LCG information publishing,



FermiGrid Stakeholder Bilateral Interoperability:

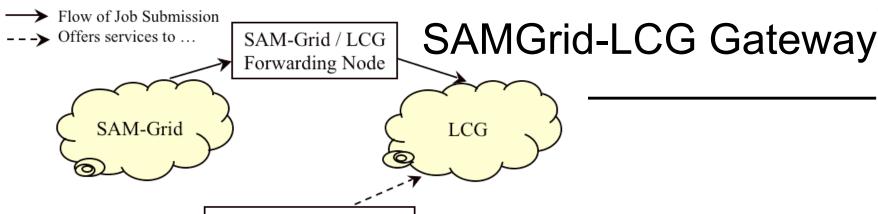
At Fermilab, there are many compute resources operated by personnel in the Computing Division (CD) for the use of specific stakeholders (experiment and/or virtual organization controlled computing facilities). The FermiGrid Stakeholder Bilateral Interoperability effort facilitates the shared use of the central and experiment / virtual organization controlled computing facilities located at Fermilab by other experiments / virtual organizations at Fermilab.

Stakeholder Resources









SAM-Grid VO-Specific Services

- •Main issues to track down:
 - Accessibility of the services
 - •Usability of the resources
 - Scalability

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Acronyms:

VO - Virtual Organization / Experiment \$TMP_DIR: location of space on job execution site.

CE - Batch queue

FW - Fowarding Node

GCIN2P3 - French Laboratory on D0 and

Ready for production: improve on ...

- scratch management: we assume that sites define \$TMP_DIR in the environment of the job
- service multiplicity: we'll need to add more FW, SAM stations, CE Increase number of LCG CE
- CCIN2P3 hosts the LCG SAM station.
- Jobs running at the LCG sites must be able to contact it: this entails some firewall maintenance

More scalable storage management:

- in SAM-Grid output data are first buffered, then stored "durably" or permanently.
- Currently we have 500 GB as a buffer and durable area: we may need more.
- We could learn how to use hpss for this...

(combination of 2 slides from original talk)

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LCG/OSG Interoperation Status



- Progressing very well
 - Intensive activity over the past three weeks

LCG to OSG

- Almost there OSG appears as a single site
- IS, monitoring, job matches, data transfer
- A few remaining issues
- OSG to LCG
 - Job submission works
 - Need to still check the rest

Interoperations Todo

OSG-LCG Interfaces

· LCG jobs need to source the environment

- Requires RB fix

- Investigate the exp software installation
 - Harmonisation?
- · VOs and their management
 - Common operations or monitoring VO?
- CAs
- Accounting
- Operations
 - What happen when sites have problems
 - EGEE has a very proactive operations policy
- Monitoring ⊗
 - MonALISA/R-GMA interoperation

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Acronyms:

VO - Virtual Organization / Experiment

CA - Certificate Authority; gives out Grid Certificates.

MonaLisa - monitoring tool.

R-GMA - monitoring infrastructure

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Risks to Run II

- Overhead of common solutions for meeting Run II needs.
- Robustness and capability of common middleware components.
- Longevity of interest from and support for CS middleware groups.
- Security constraints on collaboration and sharing.



Summary

- Run II starting to use SAMGrid on common grid resources -LCG, FermiGrid, OSG.
- FermiGrid increasing central support for Grid Services across Run II and LHC.
- OSG roadmap provides framework for common solutions in the US and collaboration with LCG, EGEE and other infrastructures.
- We are learning by experience how to have more in common.